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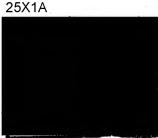
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of Westerplatte and Wisloujscie in the port of Gdansk dates through early

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Legend: Map of Westerplatte and the Northern Part of Wisloujscie.

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16. Fort of Wisloujscie."

Railways, fences, shrubs, wooded area and dilapidated banks are market 7. * To borrow map call code 143, ext. 2596. Map call number - VF75494

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- 2. "The eastern bank of the canal of the New Fort of Gdansk begins at the entrance to the port on the pier, from the side of Westerplatte. This pier (North) is absolutely inaccessible to the public. It is in good condition. Near the entrance to the pier, is an installation which gives storm signals (sygnalizacji Eurzawej) and the direction point (Punkt Kierunkowy) of the port (No.2).
- 3. "The WOP (Border Guard Troops) station is situated below (No.3). There, a ship may receive permission to lay anchor offshore (Wejsc Na Rede). Here also is a searchlight station which lights up the entrance to the port.
- "A little further to the east are certain WOP buildings (No.4): barracks, the administration of floating units, and also the boatswain's office (Bosmanat) for traffic control. In the same building is quartered a unit of the Navy. Both buildings are situated on the bank of an inner basin (No.5). On the northern bank of this basin, explosives are unloaded. Cargoes of explosives arrive regularly from Finland, carried by a rather small ship [/S MTRA. The northern bank of this inner basin is in good condition. The southern bank is a complete ruin. The wreck of the German ship AFRICANA still lies on the bottom there. There is usually no activity on this bank.
- 5. "At the tip of the southern bank of the inner basin and of the main canal there is a small square with a WOP station (No.6) and a tiny herbor (No.7) for the units of the Harbor Master's Office and of the WOP, This is the only spot in the whole Westerplatte area where one may land for a while without a special pass.
- 6. "A little farther, to the south is a newly constructed WOP observation tower, (No.8). It probably has a radar installation. In the center of Westerplatte is the monument of the Heroes of Westerplatte (No.9).
- 7. "The whole southern bank of the Westerplatte, along the main canal is in a drastically bad condition. It is made up of a wooden palsade, the sections of which have become rotten. Sometimes ships are tied up there, if there is no room for them in the port. Here also Soviet tugboats; usually tie up, e.g., the HERKULES. If there is a high tide, the trawlers of the WOP, and sometimes the units of the Harbor Master's Office, take shelter in this area. Foreign ships must be very careful in this part of the basin, because the bank is in such a bad condition that it is very easy to damage it, and then the port management immediately sends a heavy bill for repairs. Sometimes this bank is also used by the naval units from Oksywie.
- 8. "Opposite the Cape of Five Whistles is the starting point of a ferry-boat (No.10) which connects westerplatte with the GUM (Gdanaki Urcad Morcki-Maritime Office of Gdansk), on the opposite side of the basin.

 Here also is the entrance gate to westerplatte (No.11).
- 9. "Westerplatte is a military area. At the entrance a large notice board announces: 'Military area, entrance prohibited' ('Teren Wojskowy, Water Wateroniony'). The whole Westerplatte is surrounded with a barbed wire fence. One cannot enter the area without a special pass issued by the Naval Command.

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- "Beside, but not within the Westerplatte enclosure, is the technical base of the ERGC (Zargad Portre Gdynia Gdansk-Management of Gdynia-Gdansk Harbor) (No.12), which stands on the bank of a small inner basin (No.13). This base consists of several new buildings. The old buildings which stood there previously have been destroyed. The buildings comprise stores, workshops and administrative offices. Close by stands a separate social building. The ERGC base is surrounded by its own wire fence. A special pass is necessary to enter it.
- "Farther to the south is an area from which infection and disease spreads over the port: a stagnant basin (No.14) and the base for livestock (No.15). The base consists of wooden stables and sheds in which imported or exported cattle are kept. Here, in 1951, an epidemic of foot-and-mouth disease broke out; it persists until the present day

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"still farther; opposite the CIN (Centrals Productor Naftowych-Center of Oil Products); is the old German fort in Wislougsele (No.16), with canals. It is open to the public. At the back of the fort run railway tracks; one to Westerplatte and another to the livestock base. In the background are sand dunes and a forested area."

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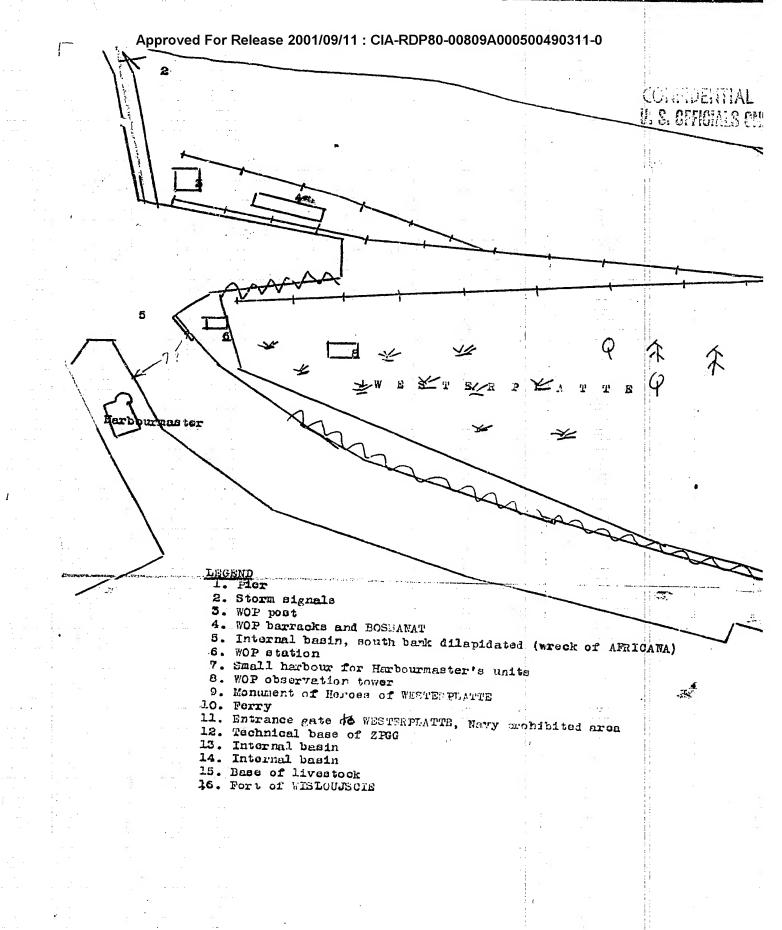
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